sailent feature of moderinisation schemes of Durgapur Steel Plant, Rourkela Steel Plant and the proposed project for modernisation of Burnpur Works of IISCO. The modernisation of these plpnts is envisaged to result in improvement of coke rate and productivity of blast furnaces through the following measures :—

(i) Improved raw material preparation ;

(ii) Conveyorisation of charging system and sinter screening in the stock house ;

(iii) Better burden distribution at the furnace ;

(iv) Usage of higher blast temperature.

Transfer of cases of Mizoram to Aizwal Bench of Guwahati High Court

*220. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Aizwal Bench of Guwahati High Court has been constituted with a view to avoiding hardship to the litigants of Mizoram ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that all the matters relating to the State of Mizoram are to be transferred to this bench ; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure that the cases of the State of Mizoram are not kept with Guwahati Bench but are prompmptly transferred to Aizawal Bench?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to section 2 of the Gawahati High Court (Establishment of a Permanent Bench at Aizawal) Order, 1990, while came into force on 5th July, 1990 the Bench at Aizawal would exercise the jurisdiction and powers for the time being vested in the Gawahati High Court in respect of cases arising in the State of Mizoram, provided that the Chief Justice of the High Court may, in discretion order that any case or class of cases arising in the State of Mizoram shall be heard at Guwahati.

(c) In view of the above, the decision in this regard lies with the Chief Justice of the Guwahati High Court.

Availability of Life Saving Medical Equipments

@1808. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the new import policy requiring importers to obtain eligibility certificate for having adequate service arrangement from the designated authorities has resulted in an acute shortage of life saving medical equipments in the country ; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to get the life saving medical eqipm nts without any difficulty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISCRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN) (a) and (b) With a view to ensure that the costly imported medical equipment do not remain out of order for want of after-sales repairing facility, the Import & Export Policy, 1990-1993 provided that the

@Previously Unstarred Question 875 transferred from 13-8-90.